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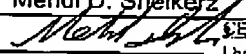
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		Group Art Unit	2124		
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In re the Application of:

Jyunichi KAMAKURA et al.

Serial No. 09/553,316

Group Art Unit: 2124

Confirmation No. 4585

Filed: April 20, 2000

Examiner: Nahar Qamrun

For: **SYSTEM ANALYSIS APPARATUS AND METHOD, AND STORAGE MEDIUM  
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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

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This is in response to the final Office Action mailed September 13, 2004, and having a period for response set to expire on December 13, 2004. This Amendment is timely filed via certificate of facsimile on December 13, 2004.

Entry of the claim amendments and reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested, because they clarify the patentably distinguishing features of the present invention.

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